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**"ACCOMPT" OF 1786**

**Yankee Blacksmith Was Exact in  
His Bookkeeping.**

Many Pages of the Book Deal With  
the Setting of Shoes, Mending  
Axes and Tools, and the Trans-  
portation of Hay.

John S. Cole of West Springfield,  
Mass., is the possessor of a very inter-  
esting and very old book—the account  
book of Eleazer Loomis of Partridge-  
field. The book was begun by that per-  
son in 1786, or ten years after the sign-  
ing of the Declaration of Independence.  
Loomis was a blacksmith, and many of  
the pages of the book deal with the  
setting of shoes, mending axes and  
tools, and the transportation of hay.

All the "accounts" in the first part  
of the book are reckoned in pounds,  
shillings and pence, but toward the  
end the present system seems to have  
come into general use and the accounts  
are then kept in dollars and cents.

The accounts, which are carried on  
through a long period of years that  
were in themselves hazardous ones,  
show a painstaking care and an exact-  
ness to business detail which might  
well be followed today. That Loomis  
was a careful business man is shown  
by the fact that he kept all his re-  
ceipts in the account book.

The book at frequent intervals was  
audited by Loomis and an assistant  
and is so signed. Besides being of his-  
torical value as a relic of post-revolution-  
ary days, it affords an excellent  
means of comparing the cost of living  
and the price of labor then and now.

So much is heard today of the in-  
creased cost of living, of the exorbitant  
prices demanded by manufac-  
turers and of the ever increasing de-  
mands for better wages and less hours  
by both skilled and unskilled labor,  
that it would be interesting to note the  
difference in the values of Loomis'  
time and the values of today. In the  
beginning of his "account" he values  
his hired labor at 62 cents daily. This  
suddenly jumps to 75 cents daily. To-  
day the laborer, with a pick and shovel,  
is getting from \$2 to \$2.50 daily or  
practically three times as much as  
Loomis paid his assistants in black-  
smithing. This is really a comparison  
between skilled and unskilled labor.

The difference in the price of food-  
stuffs is also very marked. Loomis  
bought 403 pounds of beef for an  
amount slightly over \$21, or at about  
five cents a pound. Today he would  
have been obliged to pay several times  
that amount a pound for it. He got  
butter at 12 cents a pound, now it is 30.  
Potatoes came at 32 cents a bushel or  
less than one-third of what they are to-  
day. Since the west opened up there  
has been but little change in the price  
of oats, for our blacksmith paid 50  
cents a bushel for them, while they  
are quoted at 46 cents today.

In the rental of his horse and teams  
it looks as if Loomis used very poor  
judgment or else the ruling prices  
were very low, for he took a load of  
hay to Pittsfield for 50 cents, a dis-  
tance of 40 miles each way. At an-  
other time he rented his "hoss" to a  
man for a day for a shilling, or 25  
cents. A ton of hay cost him \$7, about  
one-fourth of what it is today.

There are a number of amusing en-  
tries in the book, such as 3,200 pounds  
of coal for \$2 and a day's work for a  
bushel of potatoes. He shoed a  
"hoss," mended a "handel," made a  
ferrel and mended a shovel, all for 62  
cents. The spelling of a great many of  
the words is strange—for instance,  
horse, hoss; sleigh, slay; mowing, mo-  
ing; full, fool; kettle, kettel.

These are only instances from many  
hundreds in the account and they go  
to show what a remarkable change has  
taken place since revolutionary days.  
The book is in a remarkable state of  
preservation for such an old one. It is  
bound in calf. The paper is of  
good quality and is well preserved.  
The ink has yellowed and in some  
places almost faded away, but for the  
most part one is able to read all the  
items.

There are only a few persons today  
who would have the patience to keep  
such an exact account of receipts and  
expenditures as Loomis did, especially  
through such a long period of years.  
Everything is set down, even the  
smallest of items and the whole at  
frequent intervals is balanced. At the  
bottom of each balance is the receipt  
of the debtor or creditor, whichever  
he was, usually signed by a witness.

**Rich Hermit Starved to Death.**  
A rich hermit, John Kirkpatrick,  
better known as the "Hairy Man," or  
the "Vale of Leven Hermit," died of  
starvation at Jamestown, Dumbarton,  
Scotland, a few days ago. Kirkpatrick  
lived alone in a wooden hut near the  
Forth of Clyde railway. He was  
about fifty years of age. Although  
possessed of considerable wealth, he  
did not take the necessities of life.  
He had long hair like that of a wom-  
an, and he wore quaint dress. The  
hut, which was previously used as a  
henhouse, was infested with rats and  
in filthy condition. Kirkpatrick is  
supposed to have belonged to Ameri-  
ca, although he had resided in James-  
town about ten years. The police  
found that he had a considerable  
amount of money in the bank.

**Too Sensitive.**  
"There is absolutely no use to talk  
to me about woman suffrage."  
"Really, old man, I cannot under-  
stand why you oppose it so strongly."  
"Well, I'll tell you. I was in a  
clothing store last week looking at  
some neckties when a woman came in  
and told one of the clerks she wanted  
to buy a collar for her dog."—Fun.

### Pains All Over.

Houston, Tex.—"For five years,"  
says Mrs. L. Fulencher, of this place,  
"I suffered with pains all over, es-  
pecially in my back and side, and  
was so weak I could hardly do my  
house work. A friend told me of  
Cardui. Since taking it, I feel so  
much better! Now I can do all my  
housework and pains don't bother  
me any more at all." Cardui is a  
strength-building medicine. Fifty  
years of success have produced  
amongst its many users, confidence  
in Cardui and what it will do. Dar-  
ing this time, Cardui has relieved  
the female ailments of over a million  
women. Why not you? Try it, to-  
day. Your druggist sells it.  
Advertisement.

### Hopkinsville Market Quotations.

Corrected September 1, '13  
RETAIL GROCERY PRICES.

Country lard, good color and clear,  
14c and 15c per pound.  
Country bacon, 17c per pound.  
Black-eyed peas, \$3.25 per bushel.  
Country shoulders, 15c pound.  
Country hams, 21c per pound.  
Irish potatoes, \$1.50 per bushel.  
Northern eating Rural potatoes,  
\$1.50 per bushel.

Texas eating onions, \$1.75 per  
bushel, new/stock

Dried Navy beans, \$3.25 per  
bushel

Cabbage, 6 cents a pound.  
Dried Lima beans, 60c per gallon.  
Country dried apples, 10c per  
pound, 3 for 25c

Daisy cream cheese, 25c per  
pound

Full cream brick cheese, 25c per  
pound

Full cream Limberger cheese, 25c  
per pound

Popcorn, dried on ear, 2c per pound  
Fresh Eggs 25c per doz

Choice lots fresh, well-worked  
country butter, in pound prints, 30c.

**FRUITS.**  
Lemons, 30c per doz.  
Navel Oranges, 50c per doz.  
Bananas, 15c and 20c doz

**Cash Price Paid For Produce.**

**POULTRY.**  
Dressed hens, 12c per pound  
Dressed cocks, 7c per pound

Five hens, 11c per pound; live cocks,  
3c pound; live turkeys, 14c per  
pound

**ROOTS, HIDES, WOOL AND TALLOW.**  
Prices paid by wholesale dealers to  
butchers and farmers:

Roots—Southern ginseng, \$5.75 lb.  
"Golden Seal" yellow root, \$1.35 lb.

Mayapple, 3c; pink root, 12c and 13c.  
Tallow—No. 1, 4c; No. 2, 4c.

Wool—Burry, 10c to 17c; Clean  
Grease, 21c. medium, tub washed  
23c to 30c; coarse, dingy, tubwashed  
18c.

Feathers—Prime white goose, 50c  
dark and mixed old goose, 15c to 30c;  
gray mixed, 15c to 30c; white duck  
22c to 35c, new.

Hides and Skins—These quotations  
are for Kentucky hides. Southern  
green hides 8c. We quote assorted  
lots dry flint, 12c to 14c. 9-10 bet-  
ter demand

Dressed geese, 11c per pound for  
choice lots, live 5c

Fresh country eggs, 10 cents per  
dozen

Fresh country butter 25c lb.

A good demand exists for spring  
chickens, and choice lots of fresh  
country butter

**HAY AND GRAIN.**

No. 1 timothy hay, \$20 00  
No. 1 clover hay, \$18 00

Clean, bright straw hay, 25c bale  
Alfalfa hay, \$21 00

White seed oats, 50c  
Black seed oats, 50c

Mixed seed oats, 65c  
No. 2 white corn, 80c

Winter wheat bran, \$27.00

**Error Always a Harm.**

To free a man from error is to give,  
not to take away. Knowledge that a  
thing is false is a truth. Error always  
does harm; sooner or later it will  
bring mischief to the man who har-  
bors it.—Schopenhauer.

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